CURRENT COMMENT.

THERE were 10,000 American horses shipped to Germany last year.

THE faith healing messiah business appears to have died a natural death.

THE late shah of Persia had 15 granddaughters in the family of his eldest son alone.

DURING the recent municipal election contest at New Orleans, nearly 14,000 fraudulently registered names were stricken from the polling lists.

A story is going the rounds that ex-Congressman Harter, who committed suicide at Canton, O., a few months ago, was a member of a suicide club.

THE Railway Age, after a careful survey of the field, thinks that the number of miles of new track that will be laid in 1896 will be between 2,000 and 3,000.

MRS. H. LASTBY and her daughter Clara started from Spokane, Wash., recently to walk to New York. They live on a farm near Spokane and hope to make enough money in the venture to lift the mortgage.

INSTRAD of presenting medals to the soldiers who especially distinguished themselves in the late war with China, the Japanese government has purchased 18,000 watches, at \$2.50 each, in Switzerland, which will be given to the brave fellows.

In the Suffolk supreme court in Boston one day recently Judge Maynard heard and disposed of 50 divorce cases. The court sat only six hours, and thus ground out divorces faster than marriage cermonies could be performed, an average of one every seven minutes.

THE commissioner of patents, John 8. Seymour, recently transmitted to congress' a report of the operations of the patent office for the calendar year 1895. During the year there were 39 .-145 applications for patents and 21,998 patents granted. The number of patents which expired was 12,345. Of the patents issued 19.949 were to citizens of the United States and 2,049 to citizens of foreign countries.

THE statement is made that the wheel craze is depressing many lines of industry, such as horseshoeing, boot and shoe repairing, the livery business, etc. Also that it is interfering considerably with the sale of cigars and sigarettes, the dispensing of beer and other liquid refreshments, and the wending of ice cream. All of these varied employments are said to be unfavorably affected because of the widespread use of bicycles.

A MOVABLE observatory has been equipped and an astronomical expedition planned which will be the most important of the century. Percival Low-ell, of Boston, and Dr. See, of Chicago, will be the two principal scientific workers. Their operations will begin in July from the observatory to be erected on the lofty plateau near the sity of Mexico, and will probably be continued in 1898 somewhere down in Peru. Mr. Lowell will study the planet of Mars in a systematic way that has seldom been pursued and Dr. See will search the southern heavens

THE great electric locomotives used in the Belt Line tunnel at Baltimore. Md., are powerful engines, and the quickness with which they can be started is astonishing. Their speed, too, is great. They have made 61 miles an hour on an upgrade, which is equal to 70 or 80 on the level. They expect to pull a 400-ton passenger train at the ate of 45 miles an hour. The advanage of electricity over steam as motive power is not only in its steadiness. The smoke from the steam engines makes dirt and poisons the air of large sities. The sparks are very dangerous and the noise disagreeable.

THE death of Col. North, the "nitrate king," at London has removed from the world of finance a remarkable figure. Utterly devoid of education and unable to put two sentences tozether without violating grammatical rules, he yet loomed clearly and distinctly above men who added to their power as financiers the mental gifts which gave them a place among the leaders of thought. Col. North was a man upon whom the fickle goddess bestowed her smiles with unusual lavishness and everything he took in hand seemed to prosper.

there were in all 20,618,307 members of | year. churches in the United States. The statistics for 1895, however, seconding to Mr. Carroll in the Forum, show that this aggregate has in five years been increased to 24,646,584, a gain of 4,028,-277. In the same period there has been a gain of 22,075 churches and 21,646 minsters. It is estimated that it requires an annual expenditure of not less than 6150,000,000 to run the churches in the United states, all of which is raised by columnary contributions. The present value of church property is estimated by Mr. Carroll at \$860,000,000.

THE growing belief among scientists that the successful navigation of the air is only a question of time leads a writer in the North American Review to a discussion of the influence which balloons and air ships of various kinds are likely in future to have upon war. He winds up by saying that we may look forward to shorter wars in the future, and, since the conflict of the sir ships will be the decisive factor of a battle, the relative importance of large armies and navies will be diminished. To be without air ships would be cortain defeat to a nation in war, eve. if her antagonist was a small nation.

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Gleaned By Telegraph and Mail.

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL PRESIDENT CLEVELAND has further amended the civil service rules by an order issued on the 8th bringing into the classified service the interstate commerce commission, which will embrace about 140 persons.

THE Indiana republican convention at Indianapolis on the 7th instructed its delegates for McKinley, the expected tussle between the Harrison and McKinley factions not taking place. Gen. Harrison did not visit the convention. The platform declared for sound money, favoring bimetallism on an international basis and condemning the free and unlimited coinage of silver at sixteen to one.

THE democratic state convention met at Nashville, Tenn., on the 7th. It was a free silver convention from start to finish. Ex-Gov. Robert L. Taylor was nominated for governor.

THE prohibitionists of Arkansas held their state convention at Little Rock on the 7th. The platform adopted favors free silver, woman suffrage, government ownership of railroads, telegraphs and telephones, and contains the usual prohibition plank.

THE democratic convention at Tren ton, N. J., on the 7th declared for a gold money standard and warmly indorsed President Cleveland's administration. No effort was made to in-

Struct the delegates.

The republicans of Michigan met in state convention at Detroit. The delegates were instructed for McKinley. Both the gold plank submitted by the majority and the silver plank submitted by the minority were squelched and the money plank of the Minneapois platform of 1892 was substituted.

Ir was rumored at Washington that ex-Postmaster-General Wanamaker was angling for the vice presidency.

GEN. LEFEVRE, for many years a demperatic congressman from Ohio, said to New York Journal reporter that a conference of democrats had been held in Washington at which it was arranged to nominate Cleveland at the democratic national convention in July. He said that Pattison, Russell, Dickinson, Carlisle and others were simply stalking horses for Cleveland, and that they were bent on nominating Cleveland and the federal patronage had been used to defeat the silver democrats in Michigan and elsewhere so as to insure a sound money plat-form on which Cleveland could run.

Cor. Norre, the "nitrate king," one of the richest men in the world, died suddenly in London on the 5th.

MISCELLANEOUS. A SEVERE storm passed over Clark, S.

D., recently. J. H. Lindland's house, 12 miles south, was taken up by the wind and carried a distance of 50 feet and destroyed. There were ten persons in the house, and Mrs. Lindland was killed, while other members of the family were more or less injured. Upwards of two inches of rain fell in a boat on the lake at Chicago and Mr.

MRS. ROXBY, of Lexington, Ok., while filling a lamp spilled considerable oil on the floor and on her clothes. When The overturning of the boat was due she struck a match to light the lamp her clothes took fire and she was burned to death.

AT Rome, N. Y., John Watson Hil-New York Central express train, was convicted of murder in the second deree and sentenced to life imprisonment. His two young accomplices were given 40 years each.

AT Butte, Mont., 250 miners, comprising all the employes of the Rarus nines, struck because the foreman resigned on account of dislike for Time Keeper Applegate. General Manager Heinze put new men to work and the strikers drove them from the mines with threats of violence. A threat was made to hang the new foreman, Gibbons, and he was forced into a carriage and driven away. Trouble was

FAILURES for the week ended the 8th were, according to Dun's Review, 238 in the United States, against 237 last According to the census of 1890 year, and 24 in Canada, against 34 last

THE carpenters of Detroit, Mich., decided to strike on the 11th for an eighthour day.

Ar the Methodist general conference at Cleveland, O., the lay delegates showed their purpose to curtail the powers vested in the ministers and nake the conduct of the church more democratic.

JOHN WALDRIP, who, while serving a hauged in the jail yard at Birming-fusing to treat with the strikers in any ham. Ala., on the 8th. Waldrip de-way. clined to make any statement while on the scaffold and died without fear. The sheriff stole a march on the newspapers by having it an hour earlier than customary, so that nobody was ning straits and Solomons. The maspresent but a few officials.

hanged at Philadeiphia, was buried on abandoned as the result of the atroci the 8th in cement, his tomb being a ties of the natives. solid wall of rock in the Holy Cross cemetery.

WALTER MAYN, employed on the new Santa Fe bridge at Guthrie, Ok., stepped off the bridge backwards, fall-

WHILE chasing a robber from hi store Thomas J. Marshall, proprietor of the Golden Rule dry goods store at Chicago, was shot twice and died a few moments later on the sidewalk in front of his place. The robber escaped after wounding two other persons. The robber entered the store and approached Miss Mattie Garrettson, the sary to make Methodist ministers or cashier, and demanded what money she had. She screamed and Marshall came to her aid, chasing the young fel- Charles H. Payne, of New York city, low out to the sidewalk.

THE New York grand jury has found indictments against James B. Duke report upon these loans, embracing and nine directors of the American the entire 22 years during which they Tobacco Co., charging them with conducting a monopoly in the paper eigar-

AMERICAN missionaries at Timpany, recently burned alive there on the tion this matter came up in score of witchcraft.

A FIGHT between negroes and Hungarians at Keystone, W. Va., on the ently extraordinary state of affairs. 8th resulted in two negroes and one Hungarian being killed. Two others were also injured.

THE roundhouse and 12 locomotives belonging to the Queen & Crescent Railway Co. at Sumerset, Ky., were destroyed by fire recently. Loss, \$300, 000; fully insured.

By a vote of 425 to 96, the Methodist general conference at Cleveland, O., on the 7th decided that the four women delegates might retain ther seats. The decision was reached simply as the result of a compromise, and with the understanding that it should not prejudice the claims of the women in the future or establish a precedent for future conferences to follow.

CRACKSMEN blew open the safe of Frank Novak, at Welford, near Cedar Rapids, Ia., and secured \$2,000 in cash and \$1,000 in securities. The safe was regarded as burglar-proof and set with a time lock. OFFICIALS of the treasury at Wash

ington were gratified at the rise in freight rates on gold export shipments and think the result will have the effect of preventing for a time gold going out of the country.

JOHN POTULNY and A. Purski, two saloonkeepers of South Chicago, were found asphyxiated at the Hotel Crystal on the 6th. They retired to their room under the influence of liquor and, it was supposed, turned out the gas and then accidentally turned it on again.

THE war department has sent out a circular to the commandant of each post to report on the condition of officers serving at such posts, with a view of placing those physically incapacitated on the retired list at an early date.

IT was rumored at Washington that the free coinage democrats of Kentucky had decided to make their fight against Secretary Carlisle under the banner of Vice President Stevenson, and that Mr. Stevenson had acquiesced in the arrangement. There had been several informal conferences among the leaders, it was said, and the result was a determination to bring out the vice president as the champion of the white metal.

ABOUT 1,000 men stopped work and demanded salary at the shippard of the Newport News (Va.) Ship Building and Dry Dock Co. on the 4th. This action on the part of the employes was brought about by the new time system, called the clock system. The men claimed that much time was lost in the morning and at dinner hour on ac-GEORGE CANNON and Thomas Ather

ton, two miners at Whitwell, Tex. ignited the fuse of a blast. Because it did not go off they went to examine it and Cannon's head was blown off and Atherton died an hour after.

ADDITIONAL DISPATCHES. MICHAEL WELSH, Dan Morrison, Mary Berry, and Maggie Calder went out in Welsh and Miss Berry were drowned and the other two were only saved after an exciting struggle in the water. to the hilarity of Welsh, who persisted in rocking the craft in fun.

THERE was reported to be a general demand in Spain for the execution of dreth, one of the boys who wrecked a filibusters captured on the schooner Competitor. The carrying out of the death sentence was said to be delayed, however, owing to the representations of the United States government. The situation was decidedly critical.

NEAR Eastman's Mills, Ala., Redden H. Williams, a prominent white farmer, was lynched by a mob of 40 masked white men for making an assault on his 16-year-old daughter. The man was being taken back to jail by an officer, after a preliminary hearing, when the mob took the prisoner from him and hanged him to a tree.

L'Anse, Mich., has been practically riped out by fire, the L'Anse Lumber Co.'s mill and nearly all the business houses in the place being burned. Two hundred persons were made homeless. The total loss is placed at \$250,000; small insurance. The mill had been idle for several days owing to a strike. At Nunising, Alger county, the entire population was reported fighting flames in an effort to save the town, and forest fires were raging in several

other counties. No cars were run at Milwaukee on the 10th and there was no rioting. The backing the A. P. A. movement against strikers, nearly 1,000 in number, pa- McKinley. Senator Foraker denounces raded the streets in the morning. The the statements of the dispatch as false term in Coalburg penitentiary for strike was believed to be practically largery, brained a fellow convict. Jasover, the company having all the men the convention for McKinley solely to per Thornton, with a coal pick, was it required to operate its cars and re-

THE steamer Monowai has brought news to San Francisco of the whole sale massacre of traders and missionaries by natives of the islands of Mansacre was followed by acts of canni H. H. Holmes, the murderer recently balism. Many missions have been

HALFa million dollars' worth of millng property and lumber went up in flames at Ashland, Wis., on the 10th. It is presumed that a spark from some employe's pipe started the fire. Three ing 30 feet and sustaining fatal in- men were burned in the Are and their bodies afterward recovered.

NOT VERY GOOD PAY.

CLEVELAND, O., May 11.—Since 1873 the board of education of the Methodist church has been loaning to indigent, deserving students money with which to complete their studies necesmissionaries. The loans were for long times and on easy payments. Rev. Dr. the corresponding secretary of the board, presented in pamphlet form a have been given. This report showed that \$603,000 had been paid to students and that only the sum of \$50,600 had been returned. At the meeting of Africa, reported that II natives were the conference committee on educathe form of a motion for sub-committee to look into this appar-Gen. James L. Rusling, of New Jersey, declared that the loan system was evidently turning Methodist divinity students into paupers and that it impaired their usefulness and was a bad thing in all ways Rev. J. H. Clendening, of Fort Smith, Ark., said that he could scarcely believe his senses when the figures were placed before him. The effect of the system on the students could not, he said, be other than disastrous. Men who would not pay their debts, he declared, were not fit

> Robbins, Quincy, Ill. HALF A MILLION LOSS.

to be Methodist ministers.

Big Fire in Ashland, Wis .- Three or Four Men Burned to Death. ASHLAND, Wis., May 11.-This city experienced a great fire yesterday. Half a million dollars worth of milling property and lumber went up in flames. The Shore Lumber Co.'s mills the largest on Chaequamegon bay, is a smoldering ruin, together with several thousand feet of lumber dock, upon which was piled 19,000,000 feet of lumber. The fire started in W. R. Durfee's lumber dock. The mill was surrounded by water, with wooden tramways leading to the shore. When the flames burst out in great volume and enveloped the mill and dock all the men but four succeeded in reaching the tramways. The origin of the fire is still a mystery, but it is presumed that a spark from some employe's pipe started the fire. Figured approximately, the loss on milling property and docks will reach \$275,000; on lumber, \$228,000. The bodies of three men have already been recovered and another man is missing.

BUTCHERED BY CANNIBALS. Wholesale Massacre of Missionaries in the

South Sea Islands.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 11.-The steam er Monowal brings news of the wholesale massacre of traders and missionaries by natives of the islands of Manning straits and the Solomons. Malayta savages butchered an entire boat's crew of men from the brig Rio Loge at Rubiana, one American and two French traders being slaughtered. The murders on the island of Manning straits were followed by acts of cannibalism. A small trading schooner owned by a French trader was attacked and the owner and his American assistant and eight peaceful natives were lured ashore and beaten to death and the trading station was sacked. Two English missionaries are missing, and it is supposed they were also mur-

NOW AN ARCHBISHOP.

John J. Kain, of St. Louis, Receives the Insignta of his Ome Louis, May 11.- Amid the

most solemn, impressive and resplendent ceremonies within the walls of the old cathedral, Rt. Rev. John J. Kain, archbishop of the diocese of St. Louis, was vesterday invested with the order of the pallium, the sacred insignia of his archiepiscopal office. This is the first time in the history of the archdiocese of St. Louis that the investiture of the pallium upon the archbishop has been solemnized. A large number of most distinguished dignitaries from all over the country graced the occasion by their presence, and assisted in the ceremonies. The conferring of the pallium was performed by Cardinal Gibbons, of Baltimore, who was assisted by 25 archbishops and bishops and 100 or more

UNNATURAL FATHER'S CRIME. He Assaulted His Daughter and Neighbors

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., May 11.—Near Eastman's Mills, Redden H. Williams, a prominent white farmer residing near Manitou, Green county, was lynched by a mob of 40 masked white men. Williams was arrested on the charge of making an assault upon his 16-year-old daughter. At the preliminary trial the evidence indicated his guilt and he was held to the grand jury and ordered committed to jail. While Deputy McCracken was taking Williams to jail at Eutaw he was met by a mob near Eastman's Mill's and the prisoner taken from him and hanged to the nearest tree.

Foraker Denies a Story. CINCINNATI, May 11.—Senator-Elect J. B. Foraker vehemently denies statements printed here yesterday morning which charges that he (Foraker) was the convention for McKinley solely for the first place to such a degree that I have as yet no choice for second place."

Earthquakes in Ecuador. PANAMA, May 11.—Puerto Viejo, capital of the province of Manabi, Scuador, with a population of 10,000, has been entirely destroyed by two earthquake shocks, succeeded by floods inundating the city. Many lives are supposed to have been lost.

Drowned Herself and Babe. PITTSBURGH, Pa., May 11. - The body of Miss Lou Kiefer and a dead babe, clasped in her arms, were found in the Monongahela river yesterday. The inquest developed that the young mother had jumped into the river with her baby

WISCONSIN GOT FIRST.

Missouri last.

What Was Effective in One Case Was Tries sult of the Interstate Oratorical Contest WARRENSBURG, Mo., May & -The Interstate League of State Normal Schools, composed of the states of Kansas, Illinois, Wisconsin, Iowa and

The decision did not please the audi-

ence and a number of hisses were

winner there was faint applause.

which gradually diminished in vol-

ume as the man who announced

held at Emporia, Kan. The judges

were: On thought and composition,

Rev. J. A. Hinsdale, Ann Arbor, Mich.;

Ella C. Sabin, Fox Lake, Wis.; Isaac

Loos, Iowa City, Ia.; Prof. Gilbert, St.

the parish with the request: "Please, pass'n, my old sow be took cruel bad I wish, now, you'd be so good as to. some and say a prayer over her," Missouri, held its first annual orator-"A prayer! Goodness preserve us! I ical contest at the normal chapel in this city yesterday evening. Harold D. Hughes, of Wisconsin, was awarded first honors and a \$50 check. I. J. Bradford, of Kansas, came in for sec

cannot come and pray over a pig-a pig, my dear Sally—that is not poss. "Her be cruel bad, groaning and ond place and received a check for \$30; Illinois was third, Iowa fourth and

A PARSON AND A PIG.

A poor woman came to the parson of

wi'out bacon sides and ham? Ob, dear! Do'y, now, pass'n, come and say prayer over my old sow." "I really, really must not degrade heard. At the announcement of the

decision proceeded down the good creature began to sob. list, and when the last man was named the drop of a pin The parson was a tender-hearted man and tears were too much, He could be heard. Many prominent peoagreed to go to the cottage, see the ple in the audience expressed the opinoig, and do what he could. Accordingly, he visited the patient, ion that Illinois and Kansas should which lay groaning in the stye. have received first and second honors,

respectively. The next contest will be est, O pig, then thou livest. If thou Paul, Minn.; Prof. J. H. Freeman, Aurora, Ill. On delivery, Prof. H. C. Fellows, of Topeka, Kan.; Prof. E. D. diest, O pig, then thou diest."

Thorp, Kansas City Mo.; Dr. Joseph

Confidence Prevailing in Better Things to Come-Consumption Exceeding Buy-NEW YORK, May 9.-R. G. Dun &

REVIEW OF TRADE.

New York, May 9.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says:
That the exports of \$5.890,000 gold this week have produced no monetary disturbance is at once proof of the soundness of financial conditions, and of the prevailing confidence in better things to come. Much of the hesitation at present is due to the temporarily reduced demand in some industries, and in iron and steel the power of the new combinations is being generally tested by refusal of orders, so that generally tested by refusal of orders, so that production exceeds consumption, but consump-tion exceeds new buying.

For textile manufactures the situation is

trying. Cotton mills have a fairly active de-mand, though not equal to their normal out-put, and for many months have been accumulating goods hoping for better things so that re now stopping, although the demand for some grades, with higher prices for cotton.
has helped to a small advance in prices. Print cloths are an eighth higher, but some other grades have declined, so that the average of all quotations is slightly lower. Men's wool-ens show no improvement, but there is more active business in fiannels and the demand for fancy dress goods is encouraging, though for plain goods it is but moderate. Traders in wheat have lifted prices a little

and yet nobody questions the correctness of western reports indicating more than an ordi-nary yield of winter wheat and unusual progress in the planting of spring. With the nar-row stock usual at this season, a speculation for advance always has many opportunities, but western receipts are still 4) per cent. larger than last year. Corn is also a shade lower, but without definite reason. Failures for the week have been 238 in the United States, against 227 last year, and 24 in anada, against 34 last year.

DIAZ TALKS TO BAPTISTS. The Missionary Predicts the Ultimate Tri-

umph of the Cuban Cause.
CHATTANOGGA, Tenn., May 9.—At the meeting of the Southern Baptist association yesterday, Rev. A. J. Diaz, the Cuban missionary, recently under arrest at Havana, delivered an address in which he predicted the ultimate freedom of Cuba. He was frequently applauded. He thanked Americans for petite, could not sleep. I was a perfect the interest they took in him while he was in jail and expressed the opinion that but for them he would never have been liberated. The election of officers resulted in the selection of President Haralson; vice presidents, Joshua Levering, of Maryland, F. H. Kerfooet, of Kentucky, S. H. Ford, of Missouri and ex-Gov. Northen, of Georgia.

TILLMAN WILL CONTROL

His Friends in South Carolina Have Carried

the Democratic Primaries. WASHINGTON, May 9. - Democratic county conventions have been held in every county in South Carolina to elect delegates to the state convention. which meets on the 18th of this month. The free silver men carried every county but three, and in one of these the delegation was divided. The bolting idea predominated in all but a few of the counties. While no open instructions in favor of a bolt were given the county delegates, resolutions against bolting were tabled wherever introduced. Senator Tillman's course was approved in nearly all of the conventions. Tillman and his friends will have complete control of the state convention.

Wheat in the Southwest. KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 9.—Robert Atkinson, Jr., of Ottawa, Kan., secretary of the Kansas Millers' Mutual Insurance Co., was in the city yesterday the and gave a most encouraging report of the condition of the wheat crop in the southwest. The splendid opportunities he has for observation and his long experience in the wheat and milling business make his statements worth the more in the face of the discouraging reports sent out within the last

Fatal Storm in South Dakota. CLARK, S. D., May 9.—A severe storm passed over here Thursday night. J. H. Lindland's house, 12 miles south, was taken up by the wind and carried a distance of 50 feet and destroyed. There were ten persons in the house and Mrs. Lindland is reported killed, while other members of the family are more or less injured. Lightning struck in five places here and upwards of two inches of rain fell in three hours. A Store Wrecked.

PEORIA, Ill., May 9.—The wholesale fruit store of Thomas & Co. was wrecked this morning by the carelessness of an employe of the gas company. Al Thomas, the proprietor of the store, was blown through a win- forty manufacturers in this line, it is dow. Thomas Ballentine, of the Jour- safe to say that the McCormick nal, a man named McNomary and Til-lie Ehlen, employes of Thomas were badly injured.

Roundhouse and Locomotives Burned. SOMERSET, Ky., May 9.-The round house and 12 locomotives belonging to the Queen & Crescent Railway Co. were destroyed by fire yesterday. Loss \$300,000; fully insured

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-whativer shall we do i' the winter

my sacred office. Sally, indeed, I must "Oh, pass'n! Do'y now," and the

The woman gazed wistfully at the pastor and waited for the prayer. Then the clergyman raised his right hand, pointed with one finger at the sow and said, solemnly: "If thou liv.

Singularly enough, the sow was better that same evening and ate a little wash. She was well and had wholly ecovered her appetite next day. Now, it happened, some months after this that the rector fell very ill with a

quinsy that nearly choked him. He could not swallow, he could hardly breathe. His life was in imminent Sally was a visitor every day at the rectory and was urgent to see the sick man. She was refused admission, but pressed so vehemently that finally she

was warned not to speak to him or expect him to speak, as he was unable to utter a word. She was conducted to the sick-room. and the door thrown open. There she beheld the pastor lying in bed, groaning, almost in extremis.

was suffered-just to see him, but she

Raising her hand, she pointed at him with one finger and said: "If thou livest, O pass'n, then thou livest! If thou diest, O pass'n, then thou diest."

The effect on the sick man was-an explosion of laughter that burst the juinsy and he recovered .- Sund Magazine.

Cripple The iron grasp of scrofula has no

mercy upon its victims. This demon of the blood is often not satisfied with causing dreadful sores, but racks the body with the pains of rheumatism until Hood's Sarsaparilla cures.

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came back; the sores commenced to heal. away my crutches. I am now stout and hearty and am farming, whereas four years ago I was a cripple. I gladly recommend Hood's Sarsaparilla." Unban HAMMOND, Table Grove, Illinois.

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